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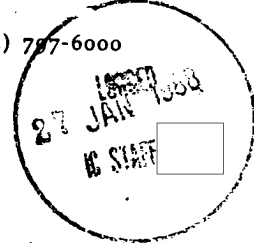
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Center for Public Policy Education

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Dear Colleague:

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On behalf of the Brookings Institution, I would like to call your attention to a special opportunity to meet with key policy officials and decisionmakers involved with U.S. space policy. On Wednesday, March 2, 1988, the Center for Public Policy Education will conduct a one-day National Issues Forum, "Space, National Security, and Arms Control: Policy Directions for the Future," to be held at the Brookings Institution.

This forum will examine the major issues surrounding the use of space for military purposes and its impact on national security and arms control objectives. Topics to be discussed include trends in the military application of space technology, the priorities of U.S. space policy, effects of the threat to space-based strategic defenses, and the limitations and benefits of arms control in space. The program is specifically designed to give leaders in government, space-related industries, and academia the opportunity to meet and explore the direction of U.S. space policy. As part of the program, Brookings will host a buffet luncheon to allow for informal discussion between panelists and participants, as well as a reception immediately following the afternoon session.

I encourage you to take time from your busy schedule to join us for this unique program. Since enrollment is limited, I urge you to respond quickly. To reserve a place at this timely conference, please return the enclosed registration card or call (202) 797-6299.

Sincerely,

Barbara Littell
Associate Director

Enclosure

Space, National Security, and Arms Control: Policy Directions for the Future



A One-Day National Issues Forum

**March 2, 1988
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

The Brookings Institution
Center for Public Policy Education
Washington, D.C.

Exchange ideas with policymakers and experts on national security issues

The purpose of this forum, one in a series sponsored by Brookings on various public policy issues, is to advance understanding and informed public debate on the use of space to further national security and arms control objectives.

As underscored in a Brookings book by Paul B. Stares, *Space and National Security* (June 1987), space has become a vital area for U.S. national security. Military space systems provide immense benefits for intelligence gathering, early warning, communications, navigation, and weather forecasting. Satellites, though not strictly weapons systems, are becoming increasingly crucial for enhancing command, control, and combat effectiveness.

The growing military use of space, however, is likely to spur both superpowers to develop weapons to disable each other's space assets (which thus far have operated in a virtual sanctuary). This competition in antisatellite weapons has complex and inadequately explored implications for U.S. national security and strategic stability.

In order to clarify these implications, the forum will examine a range of issues:

- What are the trends in the military application of space technology and the emerging threats to space systems?
- How does the threat to space systems affect the prospects for strategic defense?
- What are the priorities of U.S. military space policy?
- What are the potential benefits and limitations of arms control in space?
- How can conflicts between military and civilian interests in the use of space be reconciled?

Questions will be discussed with specialists from the government and private sectors, representing a wide spectrum of knowledge, experience, and perspective. It is hoped that the exchange of views and judgments will contribute to an improved appreciation of the issues involved.

A working seminar with the productive exchange of ideas and viewpoints

On March 2, the Brookings Center for Public Policy Education will host a one-day National Issues Forum on Space, National Security, and Arms Control. Limited to approximately 75 participants, the conference will provide a setting for in-depth analysis and frank discussion of key issues relating to national security.

This forum gives participants the opportunity to join with other leaders from the worlds of business, government, academia, and the professions to share perspectives and judgments on issues of mutual concern.

Topics to be addressed

- Military applications of space: new trends and security trends
- Future strategy for strategic defense: major issues
- Prospects for U.S. military space policy
- Military/civilian uses of space: reconciling interests, roles, and responsibilities
- Arms control and the search for security in space

A word about the speakers

in addition to the speakers pictured, we are pleased to announce the participation of the following panelists: **Mark E. Brender**, Program Editor, ABC News; **The Hon. William S. Cohen**, U.S. Senator; **Colin S. Gray**, President, National Institute for Public Policy; **Lawrence J. Korb**, Director, Center for Public Policy Education, Brookings Institution; **Richard N. Perle**, Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute; **Paul B. Stares**, Research Associate, Foreign Policy Studies, Brookings Institution; **John D. Steinbruner**, Director, Foreign Policy Studies, Brookings Institution; **Rear Adm. Richard H. Truly**, Associate ACI instructor for Space Flight, National Academy of Sciences and Space Administration.



**The Honorable
George E. Brown, Jr.**
U.S. Representative
36th District, California

George Brown, a Democratic Congressman from California, is a senior member of the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee and the ranking member of its Subcommittee on Space Science and Applications. He also serves on the Subcommittee on Science, Research, and Technology and on the Task Force on Technology Policy. He is co-chair of the Congressional Space Caucus and the Technology Assessment Board.



General Robert T. Herres
Vice Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff

In this recently created position, General Herres serves as the nation's second highest ranking military officer. Prior to his appointment as Vice Chairman, he served as Commander in Chief of the national North American Aerospace Defense Command and the first Commander in Chief of the U.S. Space Command.



John E. Pike
Associate Director for
Space Policy
Federation of American
Scientists

John Pike coordinates the Federation's research and lobbying efforts to prevent an arms race in outer space. A former political consultant and science writer, he is the author of a number of studies and articles on space and national security, including the book, *The Impact of U.S. and Soviet Ballistic Missile Defense Programs on the ABM Treaty*.



**Vice Admiral
William E. Ramsey**
Deputy Commander
in Chief
U.S. Space Command

In addition to his current post, Vice Admiral Ramsey is vice commander at the North American Aerospace Defense Command. He has also served as director of Navy Space Systems, Office of the Chief Naval Operations, and as the Admiral Halsey Chair for Air Warfare at the Naval War College.



**The Honorable
Robert S. Walker**
U.S. Representative
16th District, Pennsylvania

Robert Walker, a Republican from Pennsylvania, is a ranking member of the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee and a ranking member of its Subcommittee on Space Science and Applications. He also serves on the House Government Operations Committee and its Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security, and on the Congressional Space Caucus. In 1985, he wrote a book titled *Space, Our Next Frontier*.

Additional speakers are still confirming their participation. For more information, please call Bobbie Todaro at the Center for Public Policy Education at (202) 797-6299.

REGISTRATION CARD

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Please register me for this National Issues Forum. Enclosed is my payment of \$310 made payable to the Brookings Institution.

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